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Little Office of the Holy Ghost

From the "Hand-Book" of Very
Rev. Father Rawes

AT MATINS

May the grace of the Holy Ghost enlighten our minds and our hearts. Amen.

V. (Versicle) O Lord, open Thou our lips:

R. (Response) And our mouth shall show forth Thy praise.

V. O God, make speed to save us.

R. O Lord, make haste to help us.

Glory be to the Father etc. Alleluia.

From Septuagesima to Holy Thursday, instead of Alleluia, is said: Praise be to Thee, O Lord, Thou King of everlasting glory.

HYMN

From the rippling of the river,
From the waving tree of life,
Gabriel came, a fiery splendor,
Came from God to Joseph's wife.

When with spirit, strong and tender,
Low he knelt in Mary's cell,
In the wondrous work of ages
Jesus came with us to dwell.

Antiphon. Come, Holy Ghost, fill the hearts of Thy faithful ones, and kindle in them the fire of Thy love.

V. Send forth Thy Spirit, and they shall be made:

R. And Thou shalt renew the face of the earth.

Let us pray

May the power of the Holy Ghost be ever with us, we beseech Thee, O God; and may He in His mercy cleanse our hearts and save us from all dangers; through our Lord Jesus Christ, who with Thee and the same Holy Ghost liveth and reigneth, one God, world without end. Amen.

AT LAUDS

May the grace of the Holy Ghost enlighten our minds and our hearts. Amen.

V. O God, make speed to save us.

R. O Lord, make haste to help us.

Glory be to the Father etc. Alleluia.

HYMN

Angels, kneeling by the manger,
Gazed upon the kingly Child;
Jesus, born of Virgin-Mother,
Looked up in her face and smiled.

Through long years He dwelt with Mary
In the holy home unseen;
Waiting for the time appointed,
Lived the lowly Nazarene.

Ant. Come, Holy Ghost, etc., with the prayer as before.

AT PRIME

May the grace of the Holy Ghost enlighten our minds and our hearts. Amen.

V. O God, make speed to save us.
R. O Lord, make haste to help us.
Glory be to the Father etc. Alleluia.

HYMN

On He went, with blessings laden,
In His sweetness and His might;
And the souls that lay in darkness
Saw the shining of His light.

Crucified and dead, He slumbered
Sweetly in His garden grave:
In His risen light ascending,
Blessings to His own He gave.

Ant. Come, Holy Ghost, etc., with
the prayer as before.

AT TERCE

May the grace of the Holy Ghost enlighten our minds and our hearts. Amen.

V. O God, make speed to save us.
R. O Lord, make haste to help us.
Glory be to the Father etc. Alleluia.

HYMN

After ten long days of waiting
Came the Spirit from above;
For He would not leave them orphans,
And He brought them gifts of love.

Fount of truth and light and healing,
With His gifts that Spirit came;
Then the tongues of cloven brightness
Swiftly set their hearts on flame.

Ant. Come, Holy Ghost, etc., with
the prayer as before.

AT SEXT

May the grace of the Holy Ghost enlighten our minds and our hearts. Amen.

V. O God, make speed to save us.

R. O Lord, make haste to help us.

Glory be to the Father etc. Alleluia.

HYMN

Then the sevenfold grace descended;
With it all their souls were filled;
And they gave their Master's message,
Speaking as the Spirit willed.

Forth they went in light and gladness,
Never ceasing, never dim;
Leaving every love for Jesus,
Giving every love to Him.

Ant. Come, Holy Ghost, etc., with the prayer as before.

AT NONE

May the grace of the Holy Ghost enlighten our minds and our hearts. Amen.

V. O God, make speed to save us.

R. O Lord, make haste to help us.

Glory be to the Father etc. Alleluia.

HYMN

Reigneth over all the Spirit
Of the Father and the Son;
Yet in lowly hearts He dwelleth
Till the work of God be done.

Balsam of the true Physician,
Always, Holy Ghost, Thou art;
Healing every pain and sorrow,
Giving joy to every heart.

Ant. Come, Holy Ghost, etc., with the prayer as before.

AT VESPERS

May the grace of the Holy Ghost enlighten our minds and our hearts. Amen.

V. O God, make speed to save us.

R. O Lord, make haste to help us.

Glory be to the Father etc. Alleluia.

HYMN

Now the shades of evening deepen,
Now the night comes on apace;
Holy Spirit, give Thy servants
Thoughts of fire and gifts of grace.

Thou dost shine on those who love Thee,
Through the darkness of the night;
Holy Spirit, be our Helper,
Be our Everlasting Light.

Ant. Come, Holy Ghost, etc., with the prayer as before.

AT COMPLINE

May the grace of the Holy Ghost enlighten our minds and our hearts. Amen.

V. Convert us, O God, our salvation:

R. And turn away Thy anger from us.

V. O God, make speed to save us.

R. O Lord, make haste to help us.

Glory be to the Father etc. Alleluia.

HYMN

May the Spirit, dwelling in us,
As the noonday, bright and clear,
Fill the souls of all His servants
Full of love and holy fear.

So when Jesus comes to judgment,
And before His throne we stand,
Words of gracious love will bring us
Safely to the Promised Land.

Ant. Come, Holy Ghost, etc., with
the prayer as before.

COMMENDATION

These prayers, Eternal Spirit, I have
offered to Thee and praising Thee, in
Thy beauty and Thy majesty, in Thy
light and in Thy strength, I pray, Divine
Spirit, that Thou wilt always visit us
with Thy inspirations and guide us by
Thy counsel, that one day we may dwell
with Thee forever in the heavenly king-
dom. Amen.

*Pray seven Glorias in honor of the
Holy Ghost, the Fountain of Light and
infallible Truth, as a prayer for His Seven
Gifts, for the spread of the Faith, and
for the intention of the Holy Father.*

*(For this there is an Indulgence of
seven days.)*

2. Litany of the Holy Ghost

For private use

Lord, have mercy on us.
Christ, have mercy on us.
Lord, have mercy on us.
Christ, hear us.
Christ, graciously hear us.

God the Father of heaven, *have mercy on us.*

God the Son, Redeemer of the world, *have etc.*

God the Holy Ghost,
Holy Trinity, one God,
Holy Ghost, Thou Spirit of wisdom and truth,

Thou Spirit of counsel and understanding,
Thou Spirit of knowledge and piety,
Thou Spirit of the fear of the Lord,
Thou Spirit of faith, hope, and love,
Thou Spirit of prudence and temperance,
Thou Spirit of justice and fortitude,
Thou Spirit of joy and peace,
Thou Spirit of goodness, gentleness, and patience,

Thou Spirit of humility and purity,
Thou Spirit of the Sonship of God,
Thou Ruler and Sanctifier of the Catholic Church,

Thou Enlightener and Teacher of the faithful,

Thou Dispenser of heavenly gifts,
Thou Searcher of hearts,
Thou Comforter of the afflicted,
Thou Spirit that purifies, vivifies, and strengthens,

Thou Spirit of grace and mercy,
Thou Spirit of all grace and virtue,
Thou Joy of the angels,
Thou Enlightener of patriarchs,
Thou Inspirer of the prophets,
Thou Teacher of the apostles,
Thou Strength of the martyrs,
Thou Safeguard of virgins,
Thou Salvation of all the saints,

Thou Spouse of the immaculate Virgin
Mary,

Thou Lover of all pure souls,

Lamb of God, who takest away the sins
of the world, *pour into our souls Thy
Holy Spirit.*

Lamb of God, who takest away the sins
of the world, *send down upon us the
promised Holy Spirit.*

Lamb of God, who takest away the sins
of the world, *givē us Thy Holy Spirit.*

Holy Ghost, hear us.

Holy Ghost, Thou Comforter, gracious-
ly hear us.

Lord, have mercy on us.

Christ, have mercy on us.

L. Send us Thy Spirit, and we shall
be regenerated,

A. And Thou shalt renew the face of
the earth.

Let us pray

O God, who by the light of the Holy
Ghost didst instruct the hearts of Thy
faithful, grant us by the same Holy Spirit
a love and relish of what is right and just,
and a constant enjoyment of His comforts,
through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who with
Thee liveth and reigneth in the unity of
the same Holy Spirit, world without end.
Amen.

3. Praises in Honor of the Holy Ghost

L. Be Thou blest, O Divine Spirit!
one true God with the Father and the
Son.

A. God Holy Spirit, be Thou blest,
now and for all eternity!

The same after each praise

L. Be Thou blest, O Holy Spirit!
who in infinite love dost proceed from the
Father and from the Son from all eternity.

Be Thou blest, O Almighty Creator
Spirit! in Thy Divine power by which
Thou hast brought forth heaven and
earth out of nothing.

Be Thou blest, O most lovable Spirit!
in Thy marvelous beauty which the angels
desire to behold.

Be Thou blest O Eternal Love! in Thy
wonderful goodness through which Thou
didst adorn heaven and earth so magnifi-
cently.

Be Thou blest, O eternal Fountain-
head of grace! for the faithful love by
which Thou didst prepare the salvation
of mankind throughout the Old Testa-
ment.

Be Thou blest, O most amiable Spouse
of souls! for the graces with which Thou
didst make Mary Thine Immaculate
Spouse and didst adorn her so richly.

Be Thou blest, O Holy Spirit! for the
Divine love with which Thou didst create,
guide, and glorify the sacred Humanity of
Jesus.

Be Thou blest, O eternal fire of Love!
for the sweet power with which Thou
didst descend on the Apostles in Sion.

Be Thou blest, O life-giving Spirit! for
the wonderful love with which Thou
didst take up Thine abode in our souls
through Baptism.

Be Thou blest, O Divine Comforter! for the sevenfold grace which Thou hast prepared for us in the holy Sacrament of Confirmation.

Be Thou blest, O Father of fair love! for the sweet bread of heaven which Thou hast given us in the holy Sacrament of the Altar.

Be Thou blest, O Spirit of mildness and mercy! for the abundant graces with which Thou dost purify our souls in the Sacrament of Penance.

Be Thou blest, O Father of the poor and sick! for the healing anointments with which Thou dost refresh the body and soul of the sick in Extreme Unction.

Be Thou blest, O Divine Spirit! for the wonderful love with which Thou dost clothe with the fulness of Divine power poor mortals in Holy Orders.

Be Thou blest, O life-giving Spirit! for the graces through which Thou dost call and fit the married to a life of piety and holiness in the Sacrament of Matrimony.

Be Thou blest, O Spirit of the Father! through the eternal love with which the heavenly Father has loved Thee from all eternity.

Be Thou blest, O Spirit of God! through Thine infinite love with which the Divine Word has loved Thee from all eternity.

Be Thou blest, O Divine Spirit! through the holy love with which Thou hast loved Thine own person from all eternity.

Be Thou blest, O merciful Dispenser of grace! through the boundless love with

which the Heart of Jesus loves Thee unceasingly.

Be Thou blest, O Divine Spouse of souls! through the undivided love with which Mary, Thine immaculate spouse, loves Thee unceasingly.

Be Thou blest, O King of the heavenly Jerusalem! through the love with which the Seraphim and all the Angels love Thee unceasingly.

Be Thou blest, O King of glory! through the love with which all the saints of heaven love Thee eternally.

Be Thou blest, O Father of love! through the love with which all the just on earth love Thee.

Glory be.

Thanksgiving

L. Spirit of Love! Thou art our life and our strength! Thou hast enriched us with heavenly gifts and through sanctifying grace made us children of the Father, members of Jesus Christ, and temples of the Triune God. Through Thee we are enlightened in darkness, strengthened in strife and sorrow, consoled in tribulations, and given that peace which the world cannot give. But above all Thou hast given us Thyself as the Pledge of eternal salvation. What can we render Thee for all Thou hast done unto us!

A. Magnify the Lord, O my soul, and my spirit shall rejoice in God my Saviour. Because He that is mighty hath done great things to me. Eternally will I thank Thee, O Holy Spirit, and extol Thy mercy. Amen.

Offering

L. O Holy Ghost, Divine Spirit of light and love, I consecrate to Thee my understanding, heart and will, my whole being for time and eternity. May my understanding be always submissive to Thy heavenly inspirations and to the teachings of the Catholic Church, of which Thou art the infallible guide.

A. May my heart be ever inflamed with love of God and of my neighbor; may my will be ever conformed to the Divine Will; and may my whole life be a faithful imitation of the life and virtues of Our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, to whom with the Father and Thee be honor and glory forever. Amen.

300 days indulgence

4. Act of Reparation to the Holy Ghost

L. Holy Spirit, God of Eternal Love, Thou art ever ready to impart Thy graces to all men. But, benign Consoler, with what ingratitude is Thy boundless love repaid! From the most of men Thou dost receive ingratitude, coldness, neglect, and contempt. Thy graces are abused, Thy inspirations are rejected, Thy holy sacraments desecrated, and Thou, the Highest Good, art abandoned for the pleasures of sin.

A. O Holy Ghost, with my whole heart I repent that I, too, have been so ungrateful and have offended Thee so frequently.

L. Prostrate before Thy Divine Majesty, I desire to render Thee solemn repa-

ration for the desecration of Thy holy Sacraments. In atonement for all the outrages committed against Thee, O Divine Spirit, I offer Thee the infinite sacrifice of Jesus upon the cross, which is daily renewed upon our altars.

A. With this sacrifice I unite all the good works which the Blessed Virgin, Saint Joseph, and the saints have performed with the assistance of Thy holy grace. O Spirit of Love, make me a holocaust to Thy divine love. Amen.

5. Acts of Adoration and Oblation to the Holy Ghost

L. O gracious Paraclete, Thou art the sole joy of my heart! In deepest reverence I adore Thee as my Lord and my God.

A. I praise and bless Thee as the only true Helper in every need, as the most liberal Dispenser of all graces and heavenly consolations.

L. God Holy Ghost, Thou sweet love of the Father and the Son, in order to belong entirely to Thee I consecrate to Thee my body and my soul, my understanding, my heart, my will, and my whole being. I offer to Thee all my thoughts and desires, my words and actions, my joys and sorrows, my life and my death.

A. I place in Thy keeping all who are dear to me and all that I am and have, that Thou alone mayest rule over us and guide us in time and eternity.

L. I beseech Thee through the sweet Heart of Jesus, form my heart more and more according to Thy divine pleasure.

I hope through the merits of Jesus Christ that Thou wilt bestow upon me Thy sevenfold gifts. Remove far from me whatever may be a hindrance to the operation of Thy divine grace and accomplish in me what Thou hast decreed from all eternity.

A. Permit not, O Holy Spirit, that I should ever think, speak, or do anything which is displeasing to Thee. Give me the grace ever to follow Thy inspirations, for Thou knowest what is best for my eternal salvation.

L. Heretofore I have often neglected Thy divine inspirations; but with the help of Thy grace, I promise to be more faithful in the future. I earnestly beseech Thee to wash me from my sins in the Precious Blood of Jesus Christ and enkindle in me the fire of Thy divine love.

A. Most benign Holy Spirit, enlighten my mind, that, with a better understanding of the infinite goodness and greatness of God, I may praise Him with greater zeal and love Him with greater fidelity. Amen.

6. Prayer to God the Father for the Grace of the Holy Spirit

L. Lord, Heavenly Father! who together with Thy Son didst send the Holy Ghost to Thy Church and her children and dost continue to send Him to work in us the wonders of Thy divine love: enlighten and strengthen through Thy Holy Spirit our Holy Father and all the bishops and priests of Thy Church.

A. Continue to sanctify the different states of life and those that profess them, and grant to our holy Mother Church, the immaculate spouse of the Holy Ghost, victory over all her enemies. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

7. Prayers to God the Son for the Seven Gifts of the Holy Ghost

L. O Jesus, through the ardent love of Thy most Sacred Heart, we beg Thee, send us from the Father the Holy Ghost, the Comforter, that He may form our hearts like unto Thine.

Through the hatred of Thy divine Heart for the least shadow of sin and through all the sacrifices of love which It has made for sinners, we implore Thee, most humble Jesus, fill us with the spirit of the fear of the Lord, that we may flee from sin and, through a salutary fear of the judgments of God, arrive at true humility.

A. O Jesus, send us the Holy Spirit, the Paraclete, with His seven gifts.

L. By the filial love which Thy divine Heart bore to the Father, and by the constant tenderness with which It ever regarded mankind, we implore Thee, most loving Jesus, fill us with the spirit of godliness, that we may crush all feelings of uncharitableness and serve God with filial love.

A. O Jesus, send us the Holy Spirit, the Paraclete, with His seven gifts.

L. Through the compassion which Thy tender Heart ever felt for the miser-

ies of mankind, we implore Thee, O most faithful Jesus, give us the spirit of knowledge, that, realizing the vanity of all earthly things, we may strive solely for those which are eternal.

A. O Jesus, send us the Holy Spirit, the Paraclete, with His seven gifts.

L. Through the fortitude with which Thy most holy Heart bore so many great sufferings, we implore Thee, O most noble Jesus, give us the spirit of might that, abhorring all tepidity, we may ever serve Thee with zeal and fidelity.

A. O Jesus, send us the Holy Spirit, the Paraclete, with His seven gifts.

L. Through the mercy which Thy loving Heart ever manifested for mankind, we implore Thee, O benign Jesus, give us the gift of counsel, that we may renounce all attachment to creatures and earthly goods and follow Thee in the way of perfection.

A. O Jesus, send us the Holy Spirit, the Paraclete, with His seven gifts.

L. Through the purity of Thy most holy Heart, we implore Thee, O Jesus, eternal Splendor of the Father, give us the spirit of understanding that we may clearly understand the truths of faith and steadily increase in the knowledge of the most Holy Trinity.

A. O Jesus, send us the Holy Spirit, the Paraclete, with His seven gifts.

L. Through the sweet peace which Thy adorable Heart ever enjoyed in the love of God, we implore Thee, O Jesus, eternal Wisdom, give us the gift of wis-

dom, that for Thy sake we may be indifferent to all created things and strive only to increase in Thy divine love.

A. O Jesus, send us the Holy Spirit, the Paraclete, with His seven gifts.

L. O Jesus, send the Holy Ghost with His seven gifts to our parents, relatives, and benefactors, our friends and enemies, and to all who have recommended themselves to our prayers.

Our Father. Hail Mary. Glory be.

8. Prayers to Obtain the Seven Gifts

Holy Spirit, Divine Consoler, I adore Thee as my true God, in the same way as I adore God the Father and God the Son. I bless Thee and praise Thee with the Angels and the Saints. I offer Thee my whole heart, I render Thee heartfelt thanks for all the benefits Thou hast bestowed and dost unceasingly bestow upon the world. Thou who art the Author of all supernatural gifts and who didst enrich with immense favors the soul of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God, I beseech Thee, visit me with Thy grace.

L. Holy Spirit, grant me the gift of Thy holy Fear, in order that it may prevent me from falling back into my past infidelities, for which I now ask Thy pardon a thousand times.

Glory be. As it was.

L. Holy Spirit, grant me the gift of Piety, in order that I may in future serve Thee with greater fervor, follow Thy holy inspirations with greater promptness,

and observe Thy holy precepts with greater exactness.

Glory be. As it was.

L. Holy Spirit, grant me the gift of Knowledge, in order that I may be able to know the things of God, and that enlightened by Thy holy instructions I may walk steadily in the way of my eternal salvation.

Glory be. As it was.

L. Holy Spirit, grant me the gift of Fortitude, in order that I may be able courageously to overcome all the attacks of the devil and escape all dangers of the world which stand in the way of my eternal salvation.

Glory be. As it was.

L. Holy Spirit, grant me the gift of Counsel, in order that I may be able to choose what is most suitable to my spiritual advancement, and to discover all the snares and artifices of the evil spirit who tempts me.

Glory be. As it was.

L. Holy Spirit, grant me the gift of Understanding, in order that I may be able to understand the Divine mysteries and that the contemplation of heavenly things may detach my thoughts and affections from all the vanities of this miserable world.

Glory be. As it was.

L. Holy Spirit, grant me the gift of Wisdom, in order that I may be able to direct all my actions to God as my last end, so that by loving and serving Thee in this life, as I ought to do, I may have

the happiness of possessing Thee eternally in the next.

Glory be. As it was.

Prayer

L. O Holy Spirit, Creator, be propitious to the Catholic Church; by Thy heavenly power make it strong and secure against the attacks of its enemies; and renew in charity and grace the spirit of Thy servants whom Thou hast anointed, that they may glorify Thee and the Father and His only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, Our Lord. Amen.

300 days indulgence

A. Holy Spirit, Spirit of truth, come into our hearts; shed the brightness of Thy light on all nations, that they may be one in the faith and pleasing to Thee.

100 days indulgence

9. Prayer for the Seven Gifts and the Twelve Fruits

L. O almighty and eternal God, Thou hast vouchsafed to adopt me for Thy child in the holy sacrament of Baptism: Thou hast granted me the remission of my sins at the tribunal of penance, Thou hast granted me to sit at Thy holy table, and hast fed me with the Bread of Angels; perfect in me, I beseech Thee, all these benefits.

A. Grant unto me the spirit of Wisdom, that I may despise the perishable things of this world, and love the things that are eternal; the spirit of Understand-

ing, to enlighten me and to give me the knowledge of religion; the spirit of Counsel, that I may diligently seek the surest ways of pleasing God and obtaining heaven; the spirit of Fortitude, that I may overcome with courage all the obstacles that oppose my salvation; the spirit of Knowledge that I may be enlightened in the ways of God; the spirit of Piety, that I may find the service of God both sweet and amiable; the spirit of Fear, that I may be filled with a loving reverence toward God, and may dread to displease Him in any way.

L. Seal me, in Thy mercy, with the seal of a disciple of Jesus Christ, unto everlasting life; and grant that, carrying the cross upon my forehead, I may carry it also in my heart, and confessing Thee boldly before men, may merit to be reckoned among the elect.

A. Come, Holy Ghost, fill the hearts of Thy faithful, and enkindle in them the fire of Thy love.

300 days indulgence

L. O Holy Spirit, Eternal Love of the Father and the Son, vouchsafe to grant unto me, I beseech Thee, the fruit of Charity, that I may be united to Thee by divine love; the fruit of Joy, that I may be filled with a holy consolation; the fruit of Peace, that I may enjoy inward tranquillity of soul; the fruit of Patience, that I may endure humbly whatever may be opposed to my own desires; the fruit

of Benignity, that I may willingly relieve the necessities of my neighbor; the fruit of Goodness, that I may be kind toward all.

A. Grant me the fruit of Longanimity, that I may not be discouraged by delay, but may persevere in prayer; the fruit of Mildness, that I may subdue my temper, stifle and repress my sensitive nature in all dealings with my neighbor; the fruit of Fidelity, that I may rely, with confidence, on the word of God; the fruit of Modesty, that I may order my exterior regularly; the fruit of Continence and Chastity; that I may keep my body in such holiness as becometh Thy temple, so that, having, by Thy assistance, preserved my heart pure on earth, I may merit, in Jesus Christ, according to the words of the Gospel, to see God eternally in the glory of His kingdom. Amen.

10. Act of Oblation to the Holy Ghost

L. On my knees, before the whole heavenly court, I offer myself, soul and body, to Thee, Eternal Spirit of God. I adore the brightness of Thy purity; the unerring keenness of Thy justice, and the might of Thy love. Thou art the strength and the light of my soul. In Thee I live and move and have my being.

A. I desire never to grieve Thee by unfaithfulness to grace; and I pray with all my heart to be kept from the smallest sin against Thee. Make me faithful in every thought; and grant that I may always listen to Thy voice, and watch for

Thy light and follow Thy gracious inspirations. I cling to Thee, and give myself to Thee, and ask Thee, to watch over me compassionately in my weakness.

L. I implore Thee, adorable Spirit, helper of my infirmity, so to keep me in Thy grace that I may never sin against Thee. Give me grace, O Holy Ghost, Spirit of the Father and the Son, to say to Thee, always and everywhere: "Speak, Lord, for Thy servant heareth."

O Spirit of Wisdom, preside over all my thoughts, words, and actions, from this hour till the moment of my death.

A. Spirit of Understanding, enlighten and teach me.

L. Spirit of Counsel, direct my inexperience.

A. Spirit of Fortitude, strengthen my weakness.

L. Spirit of Knowledge, instruct my ignorance.

A. Spirit of Piety, make me fervent in good works.

L. Spirit of Fear, restrain me from all evil.

A. Heavenly Spirit, make me persevere in the service of God, and enable me to act on all occasions, with goodness and benignity, patience, charity and joy, longanimity, mildness and fidelity. Let the heavenly virtues of modesty, continency and chastity adorn the temple Thou hast chosen for Thine abode. O Spirit of Holiness, by Thine all powerful grace, preserve my soul from the misfortune of sin. Amen.

11. Novena for Pentecost

Pious Aspirations for Obtaining the Seven Gifts of the Holy Ghost

L. Come, O Spirit of Wisdom! Dispose my heart, so that I may know how to value and love the good things of heaven, and prefer them before all earthly delights. Show me, moreover, the way whereby I may obtain and possess them for ever.

A. Come, O Spirit of Understanding! Enlighten my mind, that I may apprehend and embrace all the mysteries of salvation, and at length may deserve to behold the Light eternal and to attain the full knowledge of Thee, and the Father, and the Son.

L. Come, O Spirit of Counsel! Be Thou with me in all the affairs of this passing life, incline my soul unto good, preserve it from evil, and guide me upon the straight path of Thy commandments to the goal of everlasting salvation.

A. Come, O Spirit of Might! Give strength to my heart, and aid me in every trouble and mishap; grant me power against the baneful efforts of mine enemies, lest being overcome, I be ever parted from Thee, O God, the sovereign Good.

L. Come, O Spirit of Knowledge! Grant that I may despise the fragile goods of this world, and never use them but for Thy glory alone, and mine own salvation, and may prize Thine everlasting treasures beyond all earthly things.

A. Come, O Spirit of Goodness! Stir up my heart to true godliness, and to a

holy love of the Lord my God, that I may ever seek Him in all devotion, and may find Him in true love.

L. Come, O Spirit of the Fear of the Lord! Make my flesh tremble with the fear of Thee, that I may set the Lord before me always, and carefully avoid whatever may displease Thy Divine Majesty.

L. Come, O Holy Ghost, fill the hearts of Thy faithful.

A. And kindle in them the fire of Thy love.

L. Lord, hear my prayer.

A. And may my cry come unto Thee.

Let us pray

We beseech Thee, O Lord, do Thou, of Thy loving kindness pour into our hearts the Holy Spirit, by whose wisdom we have been fashioned, and by whose providence we are guided. Through Christ our Lord.

L. May the divine help abide ever with us.

A. Amen.

12. Novena to the Holy Ghost for One's Vocation

END: To implore the grace of more vocations to the priestly, religious, and missionary life.

Prayer suggested:

Come, Holy Ghost, replenish the hearts of Thy faithful

And enkindle in them the fire of Thy divine love.

Let us pray

O God, who by the light of the Holy Ghost didst teach the hearts of the faithful; grant that we, guided by the same Spirit, may relish what is right and always enjoy His consolation, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Ghost,

As it was in the beginning, is now and
ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

7 times.

O Mary, Queen of the Apostles,
Pray for us.

Immaculate Spouse of the Holy Ghost,
Pray for us.

Send, O Lord, we beseech Thee,
Laborers into Thy vineyard.

Let us pray

O God, who desirest that all men be saved and come to the knowledge of the truth; send forth, we beseech Thee, laborers into Thy harvest, and grant them grace to speak Thy Word with all truth: that Thy Word may run and be glorified: and that all nations may know Thee, the one true God, and Him whom Thou hast sent, Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, who with Thee liveth and reigneth God forever and ever. Amen.

(Prayer from the Mass for the Propagation
of the Faith)

13. Act of Consecration to the Holy Ghost

Epecially suitable for Pentecost

L. O Holy Ghost, our Lord and our God, we humbly prostrate ourselves before Thy Divine Majesty and in union with the angels and saints, with their glorious Queen, Thy Immaculate Spouse, render Thee our praise and adoration, our thanksgiving, and the complete oblation of ourselves.

A. Thou art one God with the Father and the Son, the mutual love of both. Thou didst form the sacred Humanity of our Lord Jesus Christ, enriching it with the plenitude of Thy gifts and graces. Under Thy guidance, He ascended the altar of the cross, an innocent Victim for the sins of the world. On the feast of Pentecost Thou didst lay the foundation of the Church of Christ, and, coming down upon the Apostles, confirmed them in faith and charity so that they preached the name of Jesus without fear to Jews and heathen. Thou didst preserve the Church from error by investing its Head with the gift of infallibility in all matters of faith and morals. Praise and thanks be to Thee forever!

L. O life-giving Spirit, our Creator and Sanctifier, Thou hast also given us life and being, and hast led us into the one true Church, out of which there is no salvation. Thou hast adorned our souls with sanctifying grace, made them Thy temples, enriched them with heavenly virtues, and sanctified them through the holy

sacraments. Praise and thanks be to Thee forever.

A. O Holy Ghost, most benign Spirit, what return shall we make Thee for all the love Thou hast shown us? We consecrate ourselves to Thee, body and soul; we offer Thee our hearts and all our love, our prayers, labors, joys, and sorrows. In union with Thee we desire to labor for the propagation of the faith and the salvation of souls. Graciously receive this oblation of ourselves, O Spirit of Love, and fortify us with Thy supernatural strength.

L. Impart to us Thy sevenfold gifts. Thou didst descend upon Mary and the Apostles on the Feast of Pentecost: regard our fervent desire to receive Thee into our hearts and descend upon us, O Spirit of Wisdom and Understanding, Spirit of Counsel and of Fortitude, of Knowledge and Piety, and of the Fear of the Lord. Come, sweet Guest of our soul, rejoice our hearts with Thy delightful presence, enrich us with the treasures of Thy grace, and animate us with the fire of Thy divine love. Be our strength in suffering, our protection in all dangers of body and soul, and our comfort in sorrow and distress.

A. Holy Spirit, confirm in us the desire to follow all Thy inspirations, to love Thee above all things, to inspire others with zeal for Thy glory, and to be Thy faithful servants in life and in death. Thus may we hope to receive the glorious reward Thou hast promised for the trifling service we render Thee in this life.

Then shall we behold Thee, O Holy Spirit, in Thy admirable goodness and divine majesty, and contemplate the beauty of Thy holy countenance which ravishes the angels. Then shall we taste the sweetness of Thy joy and remain united with Thee in blissful love for all eternity. Amen.

14. Other Prayers to the Holy Ghost

Short Consecration to the Holy Ghost

L. God Holy Ghost, Thou sweet love of the Father and the Son, in order to belong entirely to Thee, I consecrate to Thee my body and my soul, my understanding, my heart, my will, and my whole being. I offer to Thee all my thoughts and desires, my words and actions, my joys and sorrows, my life and my death.

A. I consecrate to Thee all who are dear to me, and all that I am and have that Thou alone mayest rule over us, and that Thy love may guide us in time and eternity. Amen.

Short Invocation

God Holy Ghost, enlighten our minds and strengthen our hearts that, with the assistance of Thy grace, we may rightly understand and faithfully follow Thy holy inspirations. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Act of Love

O most amiable Holy Spirit, I desire to love Thee in union with that love with

which Jesus has loved Thee in the Father from all eternity, and with which Mary, Thine Immaculate Spouse, loves Thee, knowing Thee to be the God of fair and spotless love. Blessed be Thy name which adorns all.

Thanksgiving

L. O Holy Spirit, Thou Father of love! How highly didst Thou elevate me by sanctifying grace! Forever will I bless Thy name because Thou hast done great things in me.

A. Let my spirit rejoice in Thee amidst all afflictions, for Thou hast made me, as I confidently hope, Thy temple, and with the Father and the Son hast taken up Thine abode within me. Help me to guard faithfully this precious gift of love. Amen.

Prayer for Grace

L. O Holy Ghost! Father of love and true consolation, I humbly beseech Thee, effuse Thyself into my mind and heart as Thou didst effuse Thyself on Mary and Joseph, on the Apostles and all the holy martyrs.

A. Transform my spirit into the spirit of Jesus Christ and grant that I may have a share in the abundant graces hidden in His Sacred Heart, that my heart may become Thy pleasing temple. Amen.

Petition to the Holy Ghost

L. O Holy Ghost, Thou Lover and Restorer of innocence, I humbly beg Thee

to grant me a very special grace which I implore from Thy infinite mercy: restore to me my baptismal innocence in its original splendor, if I have lost it by my sins.

A. Grant that before my death I may make good all the losses in grace which I have had the misfortune to suffer. Let me not die before I have reached that degree of perfection which I should have attained had I preserved my baptismal innocence never resisted Thy love, and ever cooperated with Thy grace. Would that I had I preserved my baptismal innocence, and fidelity with which Thy most faithful servants have served Thee!

L. Pardon also the sins of others, of which I may have been guilty, and in Thy great mercy restore to them the graces which they have lost through my fault.

A. Grant also, O Holy Spirit, that all those souls may be saved that Thou desirest should be saved through me; that in the hour of death, my soul, adorned with merits, may deserve to be presented to its Creator by the hands of the holy angels. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

15. Petitions for Virtue

L. O gracious Paraclete, God Holy Ghost, come to me. My soul sighs for Thee, my heart yearns for Thee. Thou alone canst satisfy my longing: Thou alone canst make me happy. Come, then, O Divine Spouse, and do not disdain the dwelling of my poor heart.

L. My heart is indeed unclean, but Thou canst purify it.

A. My heart is dark, but Thou canst illuminate it.

L. My heart is evil, but Thou canst penetrate it with love.

A. My heart is sad, but Thou canst comfort it.

L. My heart is weak, but Thou canst strengthen it.

A. My heart is cold, but Thou canst inflame it.

L. My heart is worldly, but Thou canst fill it with heavenly desires.

A. My heart is full of sin, but Thou canst adorn it with all virtues.

L. My heart is restless and wayward, but Thou canst give it constancy and perseverance in Thy grace.

A. Come, then, O Holy Ghost, Thou Father of the poor, come and fill me with Thy love. Amen.

16. Prayer to the Holy Ghost for Priests

O Holy Ghost, Thou Friend of priests, send them daily Thy seven gifts, that they may live worthy of their calling, and become all to all in order to win souls for heaven. Give them patience with children, pity for the sick, humility toward the poor, and generosity toward the enemies of Thy holy Church. Make them active in teaching, untiring in the tribunal of penance, and zealous in distributing Holy Communion. Let them be terrible to the demons of hell and messengers of peace to all who are of good will. May Thy blessing accompany them wherever they may go; may Thy peace enter with

them in the dwellings they may visit; mayest Thou bless all whom they may bless. Make them true apostles and saints. Amen.

17. Aspirations and Petitions

L. O Holy Ghost, Thou Father of love, in atonement for my sins and the sins of mankind, I desire to love Thee as the Father has loved Thee from all eternity, and the Son in the Father. I wish to love Thee as Our Lord Jesus Christ in the holy Sacrament of the Altar loves Thee and as Thy Immaculate Spouse, the Blessed Virgin Mary loved Thee on earth, and now loves Thee in heaven, as the Father and King of Divine Love.

A. Holy Spirit! Father of love and of true consolation, I desire to love Thee as the holy angels, Saint Joseph, and all the saints have loved Thee and will love Thee forever, as the Father of light and grace.

L. I desire to offer myself to Thee with the same love with which Jesus offers Himself in all the holy Masses that are celebrated throughout the entire world.

A. I beseech Thee through the merits of this sacred Sacrifice, have mercy on me and make me a living, pleasing holocaust to Thee.

L. I humbly beseech Thee, O Father of Love, effuse Thyself into my mind and heart as Thou didst effuse Thyself on Saint Joseph, on the Apostles and all the holy martyrs.

A. Transform my spirit into the spirit of Jesus, and grant that I may have a

share in the abundance of graces hidden in His Sacred Heart so that my heart may become Thy pleasing temple.

L. Fill my soul with the wisdom and knowledge of the teachings of Jesus Christ as Thou didst fill the soul of the holy Apostle Paul.

A. Sanctify me in Thy grace as Thou didst sanctify the holy martyrs of purity and love.

L. O Holy Spirit, true Comforter and Sanctifier, pour into my heart and into the hearts of all called to Thy service, a love for those virtues which Thou dost especially require of us. Imbue us with the spirit of self-sacrifice that we may ever joyfully make any sacrifice to which Thy grace incites us, for Thy own glorification, for the honor of the Father and the Son, and for the salvation of immortal souls.

A. Bestow upon us, we beseech Thee, a love of chastity, that, with tender solicitude, we may keep watch over the purity of our body and soul.

L. And as Thou dost dispense Thy graces through prayer and the sacraments, grant that we may rightly love and esteem these precious means of grace and zealously make use of them.

A. Thus may we finally partake in the fulfillment of that promise made to those who remain faithful to the end: "Be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee the crown of life" (Apoc. 2, 10).

L. God Holy Spirit, be Thou merciful also to the poor heathen, heretics, infidels, and sinners. We beseech Thee, grant

them the grace to recognize Thee with the Father and the Son, as the only source of true happiness, and to love Thee with their whole hearts.

A. Look graciously down upon the poor souls in purgatory, comfort and refresh them with the grace which flows from Thy merciful love. Amen.

PRAYER TO THE HOLY GHOST

Brightness of Eternal Light, shine on my soul.

Divine Peace, fill my soul.

Divine Sweetness, penetrate my soul.

O mighty God! support my weakness.

Water of Eternal Life, purify my soul.

Most loving Friend! come and dwell in my soul.

Delightful Guest! come and stay with me.

Never allow me to drive You away.

Divine Fire! set my heart on fire with love.

Divine Joy! flow into my soul.

O most sweet Comforter, comfort me in all my sorrows.

Divine Healer! bind and heal my wounds.

Most generous Lord! give we Your sacred gifts.

Divine Gardener! May Your sweet Fruits ripen in my soul!

O Divine Teacher! teach me the truth.

O Divine Paraclete! grant that my soul may find rest in You.

O Holy Ghost! O Love! O Light! O Joy!
Come, Holy Ghost, come and stay.

A PRAYER FOR LIGHT

O Holy Spirit of God, take me as Thy disciple: guide me, illuminate me, sanctify me. Bind my hands that they may do no evil; cover my eyes that they may see it no more; sanctify my heart, that evil may not dwell within me. Be Thou my God; be Thou my guide. Whithersoever Thou leadest me, I will go; whatsoever Thou forbiddest me, I will renounce; and whatsoever Thou commandest me in Thy strength, I will do. Lead me, then, unto the fulness of Thy truth. Amen.

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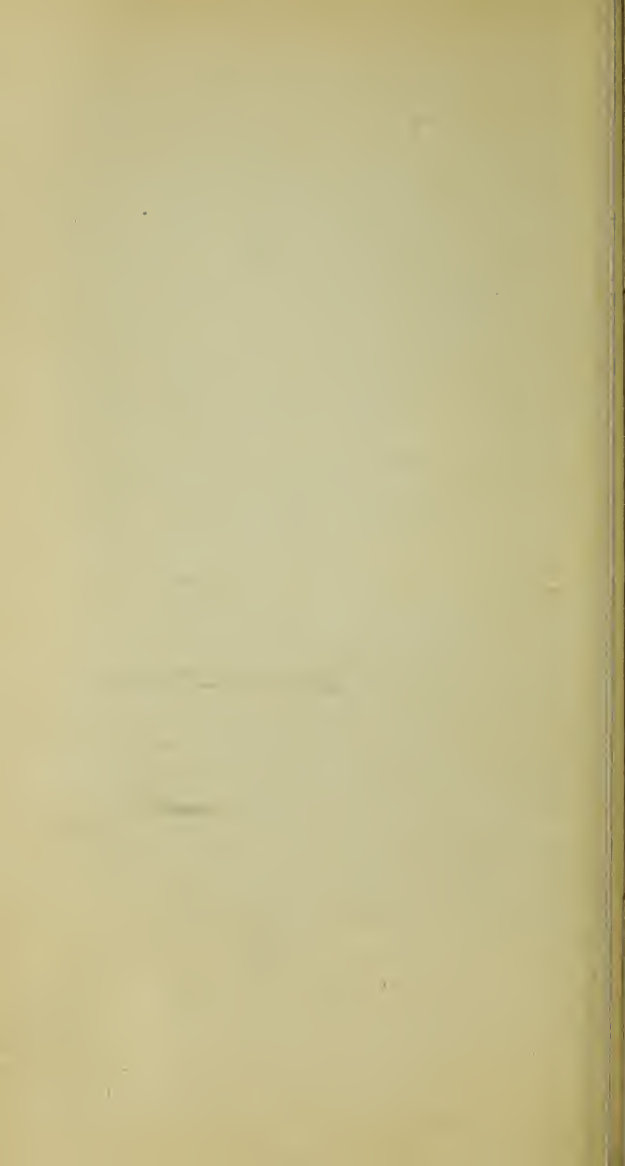
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CONCLUDING PRAYER

We beseech Thee, O God, let the Holy Spirit enkindle within us that same fire which our Lord Jesus Christ, from the depths of His Sacred Heart, spread over the earth, and with which He desires it be engulfed. He who liveth and reigneth with Thee, united to the same Holy Spirit, God, world without end. Amen.





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